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MEMORANDUM

TO: Health Officers
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SUBJECT: Florida Firm Recalls Fresh Crab Claw Meat for Potential Contamination with
Listeria monocytogenes

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This memo provides information on a **recall of fresh crab claw meat** distributed by Indumar Seafood Corporation (Weston, FL) for potential contamination with *Listeria monocytogenes*; affected product was distributed through retail stores in Georgia, Texas, Pennsylvania, Maryland, and New York.

The product recalled is the 16 oz. Plastic containers of “**Caribe Brand Fresh Crab Claw Meat, Product of Venezuela.**” The container has no code numbers or expiration dates. The “Claw” box is checked (X), indicating claw meat only.

No illnesses have been reported to date.

This recall was the result of a routine sampling by the Food and Drug Administration, which revealed that the finished product contained the bacteria. Consumers who have purchased this product between **March 18, 2003-April 10, 2003** may return it to the place of purchase for a full refund. Persons with questions regarding this recall may contact the company at **1-800-INDUMAR**.

If you have any questions about this memo, please contact Shirin Badrtalei at 410.767.0584 or at sbadrtalei@dnhm.state.us.

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